

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 281
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A RESOLUTION to create a special joint committee to study the issues involved with a land owner granting permission to enter upon property for hunting or fishing.

WHEREAS, House Bill 1199 (Senate Bill 1630) specifies that sportspersons must obtain written or oral permission from landowners or agents in order to hunt, trap, take or kill wildlife; and

WHEREAS, this legislation also pertains to wildlife-related activities and prohibits sportspersons from damaging the property of the permission grantor; and

WHEREAS, conflicting opinions have been expressed in this General Assembly about the ramifications of this legislation; and

WHEREAS, a consensus has developed that these issues should be carefully studied by a special joint committee prior to final action being taken on House Bill 1199; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That there is hereby created a special joint committee to study the issues involved with a landowner granting permission to enter upon property for hunting or fishing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall consist of three (3) members of the House of Representatives and three (3) members of the Senate, to be appointed by the respective speakers.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all appropriate state agencies shall provide assistance to the special joint committee upon request of the chair.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all legislative members of the special joint committee who are duly elected members of the General Assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the special joint committee shall be convened by the member with the most years of continuous service in the General Assembly; and at its first meeting shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee deems necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the special joint committee shall timely report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation or interim reports, to the One-Hundredth General Assembly no later than January 15, 1998, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.